

N APOSTROPHE T

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Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7
(#1:) Is - n't it a love - ly day?

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7
(#2:) No! It is - n't! (#1:) Could you come out - side and play?

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 D7 Gm D7
(#2:) No! I could-n't! (#1:) Did you ev - er take a hike?

Gm D7 Gm/D D**ø**7 F C7
(#2:) No! I did-n't! (#1:) Well, how'd you like to ride my bike?

F D**ø**7 Gm7 C7**ø**9 Fmaj7 F6
(#2:) Frank-ly, I would-n't! (#1:) Is-n't, could-n't, did-n't, would-n't, Is

A7**ø**9 Dm Gm7 C7**ø**9 Fmaj7 F6
that all you can say? (#2:) Is-n't, could - n't, did - n't, would - n't,

Gm7 C7 F B
Yes, now go a - way! The sweet-est sound to me, It stands for "not," I

F D7 Gm7 C7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7
like it a lot, It's spelled N a - pos - trophe T.

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7

(#1:) Have you ev - er tried to smile?

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7

(#2:) No! I haven't! (#1:) Won't you try it for a while?

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 D7 Gm D7

(#2:) No! I won't! (#1:) Are there games to play in there?

Gm D7 Gm/D D**7** F C7

(#2:) No! There are-n't! (#1:) Then why d'you like to stay in there?

F D**7** Gm7 C7**9** Fmaj7 F6

(#2:) Frank-ly, I don't! (#1:) Have - n't, won't, are-n't, don't, Is

A7**9** Dm Gm7 C7**9** Fmaj7 F6 Gm7 C7

that all you can say? (#2:) Have-n't, won't, are-n't, don't, And I said GO A -

F B**b** F Gm7 C7 F D7

WAY! Grouches all ag - ree. We get a glow From say-ing NO! With

Gm7 C7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7

N a - pos - tro - phe T.

slower

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7

(#1:)Do you talk to a - ny - one? (#2:)No, I don't.
(wistfully)

Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 Gm7 Fmaj7 Gm7 Am7 D7

(#1:)Come on out and have some fun. (#2:)No, I could-n't.
(hesitantly)

Gm D7 Gm D7 Gm/D D**7**

(#1:)Can't you e - ven tell me why? (#2:)No, I can't.
(apologetically)

F C7 F D**7**

(#1:)Will it kill you just to try? (#2:)Well, I should-n't.
(wanting to)

Gm7 C**7****9** Fmaj7 F6 A**7****9** Dm

(#1:)Don't, could-n't, can't, should-n't, Now try it once my way:

even slower

Gm7 C**7****9** Fmaj7 F6 Gm7 C7

Do! (#2:)Do! (#1:)Could! (#2:)Could! (#1:)Can! (#2:)Can! (#1:)Should! (#2:)Should! Hey, that feels o -

back to speed

F B**7** F Gm7 F D7

kay! (#1:)So come a - long with me. (#2:)I'll give it a try, And say good-bye To

Gm7 C7 B**7** C7 Gm7 C7 F

N a-pos - tro-phe, (#1:)N a-pos - tro - phe, (Both:)N a-pos - tro - phe T!